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RESULTING COMPOSITIONS



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The Examiner is invited to review these materials to inspect the relevance indicated during international examination with respect to the documents cited therein.

US 6,620,879;

US 4,880,167;

US 4,855,127;

US 4,471,100;

US 4,158,726;

US 2,982,749;

GB 1482515;

GB 1329062;

EP 0 252 463 (a family member of US 4,855,127 and US 4,880,167, listed above);

EP 0 056 627 (a family member of US 4,471,100, listed above);

WO 00/47533 (a family member of US 6,620,879, listed above);

JP 58074552 (accompanied by the Derwent abstract of JP 58074552).

In accordance with 37 C.F.R 1.98, copies of the U.S. patents are not enclosed herewith. However, if any copies are needed, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

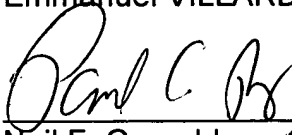
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Should there be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below listed telephone number.

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